REMARKS

Claims 1-10 have been canceled, thereby overcoming the rejections of these claims. Reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections are respectfully requested.

New claim 11 has been added. Claim 11 is believed to be allowable because the applied references do not disclose the claimed structure that provides when the first and second connector elements are fitted with each other, the connecting terminals of these connector elements contact each other to establish an electrical connection between the signal line of the electronic apparatus body and the signal line of the external apparatus and the pressing member moves the movable member against the biasing member to cut the electrical connection between the first grounding line portion and the second grounding line portion through the movable member. SHINPO et al. JP 08243084 do not disclose this specific arrangement and allowance of claim 11 is respectfully requested.

In view of the present amendment, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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